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ON

PENSIONS AND REVOLUTIONARY CLAIMS,

ON

THE PETITION

OF

MARY CHEVER.

JANUARY 25, 1814.

Read and committed to a committee of the whole House to-morrow.

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The Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Mary Chever,

REPORT:

THE petitioner states, that at the commencement of the present war with Great Britain, her two eldest sons, viz: John and Joseph P. Chever, entered on board of the frigate Constitution, and were in the engagement with the British frigate Guerriere, in which Joseph P. Chever was wounded. That they both continued on board the Constitution, and were in the engagement with the Java, in which they were both killed.

The petitioner further states, that she has been, for many years past, entirely dependent upon, and supported by, her two sons; she, therefore, prays relief from the necessities to which she is subjected by this distressing misfortune.

The committee are fully satisfied of the facts set forth in the petition; but they have sought in vain for the evidence of any usage of the government granting pensions to the parents, or any other relatives, than the wives and children of persons killed in the naval or

military service; and unless it were deemed expedient to make a general provision embracing all such cases, the committee think it would be improper to grant the relief prayed for in this case. They, therefore, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition.

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